

Appln. Ser. No.: 09/982468

Amendment

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: De Ferra et al.

Serial No. 09/982,468

: Art Unit: 1626

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: Examiner: MURRAY, Joseph H.

For: **Purifying Process for Phosphatidylserine**

AMENDMENT

Commissioner of Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

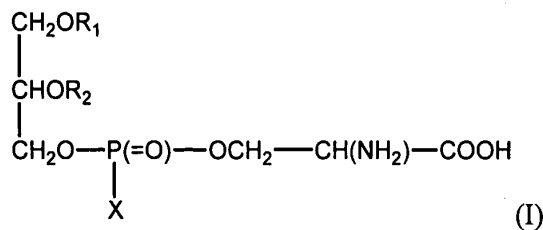
Kindly amend the above-referenced application in response to the January 28, 2002, Non-final Office Action as indicated below. Accompanying this Amendment is a petition & fee for a one-month extension of time. Applicants respectfully request consideration of the above identified application in view of the following amendments and remarks.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claim 5. Please amend claims 1 and 6-8, and add new claim 16, as follows:

Amend claims 1 and 6-8 to read as follows:

1. (AMENDED) Purifying process for phosphatidylserine having formula (I)



where R₁ and R₂, identical or different, are a C₁₀-C₃₀ acyl group; X is OH or OM, where M is chosen from the group of alkali metals, alkaline-earth metals, ammonium and alkyl ammonium,